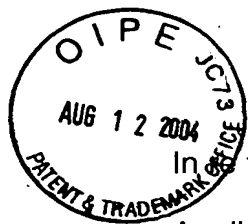


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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the attached PTO Form-1449, listing references which the patent examiner is requested to consider and make of record in the above-identified application. Since this application is a division of Applicants' parent U. S. Patent Application No. 09/720,841, filed August 13, 2001, which is the U.S. national phase filing of International Patent Application No. PCT/GB99/02042, filed June 29, 1999, copies of the listed references, which were cited in the International Search Report (ISR) of International Application No. PCT/GB/02042, are not enclosed, as copies of these references are believed to be in the file of the above-mentioned parent application, as indicated on Form PCT/DO/EO/903 (copy attached).

In the opinion of the undersigned, the foregoing references are the most pertinent of which the undersigned is aware. However, no representation is made or

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In the event that a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1406 of the undersigned attorneys. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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